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In Re Application of: Toshio ARIYASU et al Art Unit: 1646 Application No.: 09/063,778 Examiner: C. Kaufman Filed: April 22, 1998 Washington, D.C. HEDGEHOG PROTEIN Attv.'s Docket: ARIYASU=1 Date: July 13, 2000 THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231 RECEIVED Sir: Transmitted herewith is a **SECOND REPLY TO FINAL ACTION** in the above-identified application. JUL 18 2000 Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. FECT CENTER 1600/2900 No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: SMALL ENTITY OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY (Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) CLAIMS HIGHEST NO. PRESENT RATE **ADDITIONAL** OR RATE **ADDITIONAL** REMAINING **PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** FEE FEE PAID FOR **AFTER EQUALS AMENDMENT** \$ TOTAL MINUS s 20 0 18 INDEP. MINUS 0 39 \$ 78 \$ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM 130 \$ 260 \$ ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL OR TOTAL \$ \$ If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed. [XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. [X] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Small Entity Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within First - \$ 55.00 \$ 110.00 Second \$ 190.00 Third \$ 435 00 - 1 Fourth \$ 680.00 Fourth - \$ 1360.00 1 1 Month After Time Period Set Month After Time Period Set [] Less fees (\$ ____) already paid for ___ month(s) extension of time on _ [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$_ [XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$110.00. [] A check in the amount of \$_ is attached (check no.). [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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